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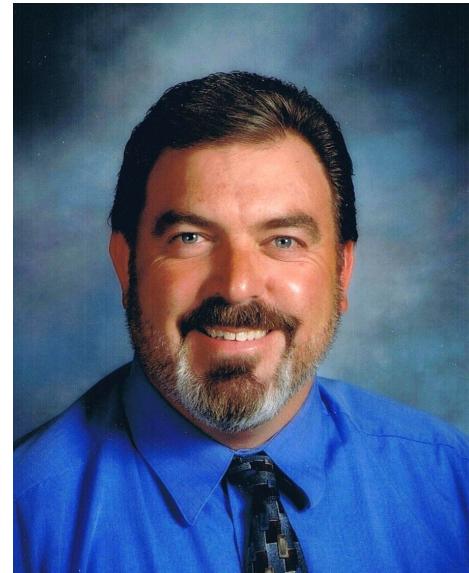
## YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Happy New Year!

I hope that everyone's 2009 is off to a great start. I am extremely excited about being your new NUTS President, or Head NUT. I feel that the officers you have elected this year will bring a lot of experience, enthusiasm, and renewed energy to the NUTS club.

As our country embarks on a new path of energetic hope for a prosperous stabilized nation, where there is a balance created from a courteous acceptance of diversity, finding the best in everything and everyone, our vision for continued success in the NUTS club is parallel to that of our country.

This year we plan to keep in place those activities that have been proven to be successful, while introducing some new activities, such as club



hunts and instructional sharing opportunities that will create a fun atmosphere for everyone to become better acquainted.

I look forward to our success this year as we all work together to have a fun enjoyable time. Lets all hope for warmer weather and a Gold Coin just around the corner.

See ya at the meeting.

*Todd Monson*

## OUR FEATURED SPEAKER FOR JANUARY 2009

### ***GAIL DYRENG***

If you had a chance to look through a window into the past, would you stop to look or would you walk right on by? Would you be fascinated with what you see? Perhaps you would say that means nothing to you. The windows at which I pause mean the world to me. They are who I am and what I have.

If the evolution of credit cards hasn't completely emptied your pockets of coins, the images on the obverse are a short list of presidents. Between 1898 and 1954, 157 silver and gold commemorative coins were authorized by congress. They were intended to commemorate events "of national interest". Thirteen of these were gold. A single 1893 quarter honored queen Isabella. A single 1900 dollar honored Lafayette. The remaining 142 coins were half dollars. A type set of 48 individual coins displays a complete set of images. All of these coins were intended to circulate. That is the key difference between these and the "modern commemoratives". The market price of the raw metal today is far more than the face value of the coin.

My collection is still a work in progress. My goal is a 48 coin type set of half dollars. At present I have 32. I concentrated on the difficult ones first--they are all in hand. I intend for all of significant value to be graded, by either PCGS or NGS. I recently joined PCGS, because they will grade 8 coins as part of my membership. They would have been sent in, but I was afraid I wouldn't get them back in time for the up-coming club meeting.

## MEETING DATES FOR 2009

\*January 22 \* February 26 \* March 26

\* April 23 \* May 28 \* June 15

July 23 \* August 27 \* September 24 \*October 22

\*November 19 \*December 17 Christmas Party

\*\*\*We will also have "Find of the Month" in March through November (excluding August)\*\*\* **Note** that you may only submit original "finds" since the previous N.U.T.S. meeting (normally 30 days.)

### **N.U.T.S. CLUB WEBSITE**

#### **PLEASE VISIT US AT**

<http://www.geocities.com/nutsclub@ymail.com/>

Johnny has added many new things please check out your club website. If you have any ideas on things to add please send Johnny an email at [diving-buddy@yahoo.com](mailto:diving-buddy@yahoo.com)

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A NOTE FROM THE DESK OF BRIAN JESSOP

I want to thank each and everyone of you that took the time to call, write or email me while I was so sick. My heart is now beating correctly after the last procedure and I am getting stronger each day.

I have started to resume my duties as wagonmaster and I really want to thank Eldon Farnsworth for picking up where I left off. You know you have a great friend when they will do the kinds of things Eldon did for me especially at Christmas time.

I hope everyone has a fantastic New Year and may each of you find at least one gold coin in 2009.

**Brian**

**DON SWAIN OUR HEAVY MEDAL SPECIALIST**

The club medal design for 2009 will be voted on in our February meeting. Please bring your designs for consideration or email it to me at [don\\_swain@q.com](mailto:don_swain@q.com)

A note about United States Mint Products.

U. S. Mint 2009 District of Columbia & U. S. Territories Proof quarters set now available.

Native American \$1 coins are available for direct ship from the mint now.

Abraham Lincoln Commemorative silver Dollar will be available Feb. 12, 2009.

Louis Braille silver Dollar Commemorative available March 26, 2009.

Thanks, Don Swain

**PROMPTNESS PRIZE IS DRAWN AT 7:00 pm SHARP**

**A SPECIAL AWARD IS GIVEN TO EACH MEMBER WHO HAS 100% ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR. THE AWARD FOR 2008 WAS A SILVER CLUB MEDAL.**

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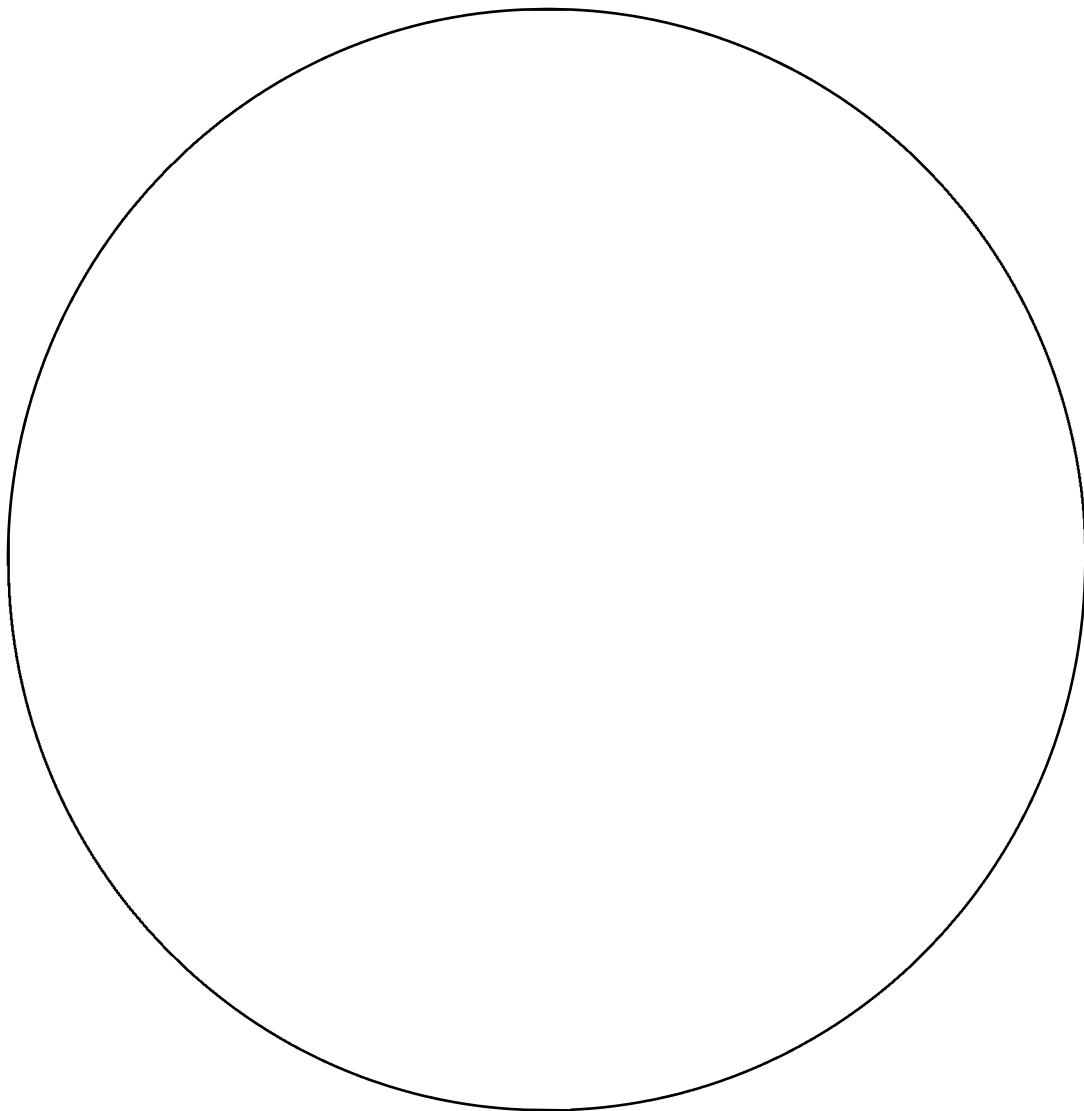
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# NUTS MEDAL DESIGN FORM

**WINNER RECEIVES A ONE OF A KIND LEAD STRIKE OF THEIR DESIGN**

LAST YEARS DESIGN SOLD MORE MEDALS FOR THE CLUB THEN IN ANY PREVIOUS YEAR AND OUTSOLD OUR SISTER CLUB UNS AND THEIR DESIGN. DESIGNS WILL BE VOTED ON DURING OUR FEBRUARY MEETING.

SILVER 80 COPPER 185 BRONZE 190



NUTS members it is time to submit your designs for the 2008 club medal. There is no specific theme required for the medal . Photographs may be used for a design as well as artwork. If a photo is used it needs to be sharp and clear with distinct lines. For example pictures of buildings work well. Remember permission must be obtained to use copy written material.

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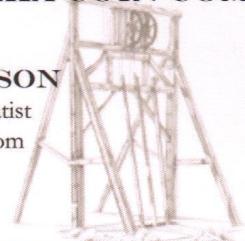
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